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Man Charged with Abusing Puppy

A 25-year-old man has been charged with abusing his 3-month old puppy, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Eljin Jermaul Holt (dob 8/30/91) faces one felony count of cruelty to an animal.

Holt pleaded not guilty to the charge yesterday and is scheduled to return on Aug. 10 to Department 34 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center. Case BA458129 was filed for warrant on June 12.

According to the criminal complaint, the defendant dragged and yanked his dog Indie on Nov. 24, 2016, causing the puppy to bleed, prosecutors said.

Deputy District Attorney Kevin Liu is the assigned prosecutor.

If convicted as charged, Holt faces a possible maximum sentence of three years in jail.

The case remains under investigation by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Los Angeles.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.